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Mr. Ray Hanley, Director  
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Dear Mr. Hanley:

I am pleased to inform you that your amendment request for the Arkansas Home and Community-Based Services Waiver (HCBSW) No. 0195.90.R1 has been approved effective July 1, 2001. This HCBSW program, as authorized under the provisions of section 1915 (c) of the Social Security Act, provides an array of home and community-based services to Elderly eligible Medicaid recipients as an alternative to institutionalization in a nursing facility. This amendment has been assigned control number 0195.90.R1.02 which should be used in all future correspondence.

Specifically, you submitted a request to amend Attachment II, Provider Assurances, section 108, page 5 to change the definition of an immediate family member. A member of the client's family is now defined as a spouse or an adult's "guardian of the person," or anyone acting as an adult's "guardian of the person."

For your convenience, a copy of the approved amendment is included with this correspondence. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Rupley at 214-767-6278.

Sincerely,

James Randolph Farris, M.D.  
Regional Administrator

Enclosure

cc: Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations